

CURTIS WOODWORK

*Builds Lasting Beauty
into Homes*



Curtis makes a full line of woodwork for the home—both interior and exterior. There are designs suitable for all architectural styles. Each piece carries the Curtis trademark, which is your guarantee of life-long satisfaction. The Curtis line includes:

SILENTITE PRE-FIT WINDOW UNITS . . . EXTERIOR
and INTERIOR DOORS . . . ENTRANCES . . . WIN-
DOWS . . . FRAMES . . . TRIM . . . MOLDINGS
PANEL WORK . . . SECTIONAL KITCHEN CABINET
UNITS . . . CABINET WORK . . . MANTELS
STAIRWAYS . . . GARAGE DOORS . . . SCREENS
SHUTTERS . . . STORM DOORS and WINDOWS
MITERTITE DOOR and WINDOW TRIM



A BEAUTIFUL HOME—modern and comfortable—doesn't "just happen." It is carefully planned and the materials are selected only after thorough investigation. Each basic part—roof, heating, plumbing, woodwork—is considered as a separate unit. All play major parts in acquiring a truly modern home, livable the year 'round, economical to build and to keep up.

This book will tell you briefly about CURTIS WOODWORK for your home. More detailed information may be secured from your Curtis dealer, or by writing the Curtis Companies Service Bureau, at Clinton, Iowa.

W I N D O W S

Windows have been termed "the eyes of the house." You want modern windows for today's home. One of the most modern double-hung wood windows you can buy is the *Curtis Silentite Pre-Fit Window Unit*, for Silentite is an "insulated window."

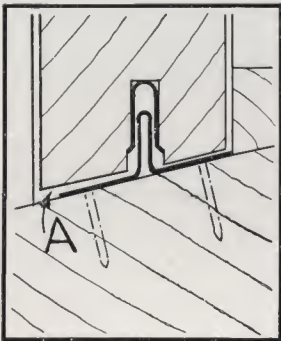
SILENTITE is called "new" because it embodies entirely new methods of construction and operation. Yet, it has been used for nearly five years. Thousands of homes—large and small—have Silentite windows—and today it is one of the most widely used modern windows in America. Investigate Silentite thoroughly before you build or remodel.

SILENTITE
"Pre-Fit"
 FRAME • WINDOW • SCREEN AND STORM SASH

A Complete Window Unit Providing New Beauty— Comfort—Economy

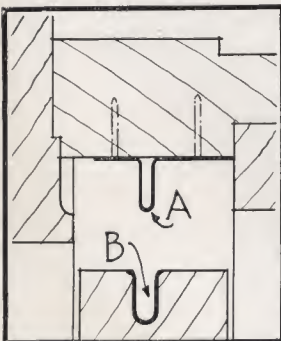
Silentite is a *complete* and modern window unit consisting of the following material:

1. **FRAME**—available for every type of wall construction—treated with preservative toxic oil dip—weathertight—sturdier.
2. **WINDOW**—pre-fit to frame, in many accepted designs and sizes—toxic oil dipped—glazed with Lustraglass—superior puttying.
3. **WEATHER STRIPPING**—double contact metal weather stripping, one of the most effective methods known—spring balancing eliminates weights and cords.
4. **MITERTITE TRIM**—with patented joints that stay tight—four new designs for selection—applied for less cost than old styles.
5. **SCREENS**—pre-fit for opening—16 mesh antique bronze or galvanized wire.
6. **STORM SASH**—pre-fit to frame opening—provides controlled ventilation with Protector-vent sash. (See P. 6.)
7. **HARDWARE**—for screens and storm sash—simplified and improved—no hardware on face of sash or screen.



Sill Weather Stripping

Here's how the bottom of the Silentite sash and sill look in cross-section. Note how the two weather strips fit together to shut out all drafts. Note space (at A) for water to drain away.

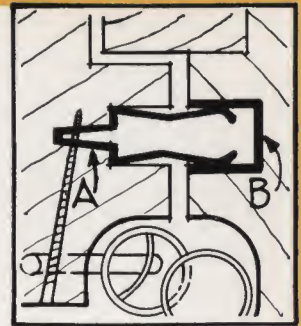


Head Weather Stripping

And here's the top of a Silentite window in cross-section. Both elements of the weather stripping are accurately located at the factory to assure perfect fit. This construction is found only in Silentite Windows.

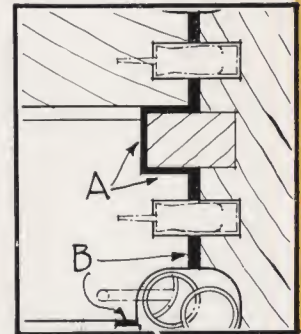
Vertical Weather Stripping

Diagrammatic cross-section of Silentite Window. Heavy black lines show double-contact copper-bronze weather stripping, a patented construction which provides double protection against infiltration of air.



Pre-Fitted at Factory

The heavy black line indicates the unusual amount of clearance between sash and frame, giving ample latitude for swelling without binding. Silentite always works easily because the sash slides in smooth metal slides. No sticking even in humid weather and no rattling even in dry winter winds.



No Weights . . Cords . . Pulleys Easy, Silent Operation

The Silentite Pre-Fit Window eliminates noisy, bulky weights, cords, pulleys. The practicability of spring suspension, balancing the weight of the sash and the friction of the vertical weather stripping, has been demonstrated by years of perfect operation in thousands of homes.

The details on this page should be noted carefully. These show weather stripping features and patented construction methods, which make the window absolutely weathertight—an "insulated" window.

Rattling and sticking are eliminated entirely. Operation is easy and quiet under all weather conditions. Dust and dirt are shut out—curtains, drapes, furnishings stay clean much longer. Fuel costs are reduced over 25%.

Laboratory and Field Tests Prove Superiority

For two years, Curtis engineers worked to perfect Silentite. Then they took it to the nationally-known Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory. There, Silentite proved itself 5.26 times as weather tight as standard windows without any weather stripping, and a third more weather tight than windows with ordinary applied weather stripping.

Following that, Curtis installed over 2,500 SILENTITE windows, in more than 100 different houses, under all climatic conditions found in 25 states. Builders kept careful records and submitted signed reports. A few improvements were suggested and quickly adopted.

So—SILENTITE is offered you after being thoroughly tested, as nearly perfect as men and machines can make it, and endorsed by home owners everywhere.



The beauty of Silentite is readily apparent when windows are grouped. By eliminating bulky weight and pulley boxes, narrow mullions are used. Silentite is the ideal window for sun parlors and closed-in porches.

Save Up to $\frac{1}{3}$ on Heating Costs . . . Enjoy Year-'round Comfort in Your Home

Fuel savings in the home equipped with Silentite—the “insulated” window—range from 25% to 35%. Just as Silentite shuts out cold, so, too, does it shut out summer's heat, assuring year-'round comfort.

With added comfort and economy comes new beauty in the window itself—the narrow trim and the elimination of the noises and bother of the weights, pulleys and cords. Narrow mullions, outside casings, and narrow interior trim are refinements long sought by architects.

As the advent of insulation made uninsulated houses less desirable, so has SILENTITE established a “difference” in homes. One has to look ahead only a few years to know that a home will be termed “old style” without insulation, air-conditioning and this modern window.

Given Preservative Oil Dip

Frame and sash are made of Ponderosa Pine, one of our most durable woods. Both are dipped, before glazing, in a preservative toxic oil to prevent rot. Wood-destroying fungi cannot live in the presence of this toxic. The linseed oil seals the wood pores against the moisture necessary to fungus growth.

There is less shrink or swell in treated wood. This dip bridges the gap during construction when painter may be slow with priming coat.

Silentite windows are glazed with Lustraglass—

a flat drawn glass of unusual clearness and quality. The glass is surrounded with putty where it would normally come in contact with the wood. Because the pores are sealed, the putty is not robbed of its oils, but remains soft and pliable. A putty key on the outside of the glass helps hold the putty in place. On the inside, the putty surface is lower than that of the wood. A well-filled paint brush is bound to leave paint which will run over the putty, effectively sealing the putty, wood, and glass union.



Adaptable to Any Wall

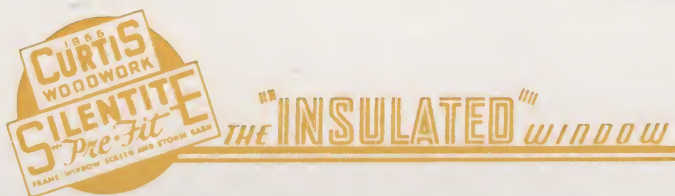
Here Silentite is used in three different walls—stone, siding, brick. The basic Silentite frame is adaptable to any type of wall construction. Pre-fitting at the factory lowers installation costs.



12-light Silentite windows. Bays are more beautiful and more practical because of the narrow mullions. Pre-fit screens, part of the Silentite Unit, were up when this picture was taken.



Interior view of picture on the left. In the Silentite house, curtains, drapes, bedding, wallpaper, everything, remain fresh and clean much longer, because dirt, dust or weather cannot seep in.



An Architect's Viewpoint

Alfred N. Boell, architect, New York City, writes about Silentite in connection with Dr. Del Manzo's house, pictured at right:

"I am of firm opinion that Silentite is one of the finest products in the building field. Its advantages are a decided labor saving—ease of operation—neat in detail—elimination of weights and cords; and most important, a great fuel saver. I want to recommend this excellent product to other architects and home owners."

(Signed) ALFRED N. BOELL.



Home of Dr. M. C. Del Manzo, New Hope, Pa., winner of \$1,000.00 Sweepstakes prize, Better Homes and Gardens Remodeling Contest, 1933.



Home of H. F. Hartman, Scranton, Pa., located on U. S. 611, Moscow, Pa. Silentite used in remodeling original home more than 100 years old.

25% Less Fuel

"Ours is an old Colonial house, built a hundred years ago, and recently modernized. We are delighted with our Silentite windows. We maintain a constant temperature of 70 degrees day and night with 25% less coal than we formerly burned. The man who builds or remodels today should use Curtis windows to curtail the upkeep of his home."

(Signed) H. F. HARTMAN.

Approximately 285 years ago, in the reign of the Dutch King, William III, the first sash window came into use in England. It was probably acquired from Holland, where it appeared, with the upper portion fast, as early as 1630.

In 1932—after nearly 300 years—a new style window by Curtis—SILENTITE—a vastly superior window, weather-stripped and pre-fit, without weights, cords or pulleys—as advanced over the old window as the car of today when compared with the model of 1920.

No longer need you use 17th century windows. Investigate SILENTITE before you design or build a home. Most Curtis dealers have a demonstration unit and can show you homes equipped with this fuel-saving window.

Standard Sizes Reduce Costs

To use standard size windows is to economize, since they bring quantity production savings, as compared to special sizes, made one at a time. Silentite windows, frames, storm sash, screens and Mitertite trim are available in that standard range of sizes necessary for home construction, based upon the accepted $1\frac{3}{8}$ " thickness of window.

In design, there is likewise a wide selection. Silentite double-hung windows are standard in the following patterns: 2 light, 4 light, 6 light (3 wide, 2 high), 8 light (2 wide, 4 high), 12 light (3 wide, 4 high), 16 light (4 wide, 4 high), and with the top sash 6 light (3 wide and 2 high), the bottom sash one single pane.



INTERIOR TRIM

That
“Stays Put”

(PART OF THE SILENTITE UNIT)

The trim in a house, like the appointments of a car, helps greatly to set off the interior. Architects prefer narrow trim of good design, as it is in much better taste than the old style wide, bulky patterns.

Mitertite Trim is made exclusively for use with the Curtis SILENTITE Pre-Fit Window Unit. Of course, it is equally suitable for door trim, as illustrated here. You have a choice of four beautiful designs made in three woods—pine, oak, and birch.

Mitertite is a narrow molded trim with an exceptionally strong locked miter joint between side and head casing. It is as permanent as it is practical to make a joint—patented and of simple construction, yet strong as the wood itself.



Beautiful Door Trim

Wide, bulky interior trim has no place in today's modern interior. Here the true beauty of narrow trim—Mitertite—is shown with Curtis door C-3020. Narrow trim provides greater wall space with both windows and doors.

Costs Less to Install

Because Mitertite trim is completely machined, with the greatest accuracy, a single side of trim can be applied in 13 minutes as compared with 55 minutes, required for the preparation and application of cut-to-length or lineal trim.

It is upon accuracy that the success of a mitered joint depends. Add to that the “holding power” developed by the patented joint, and you have an interior trim that is permanently beautiful—a trim that “stays put.”

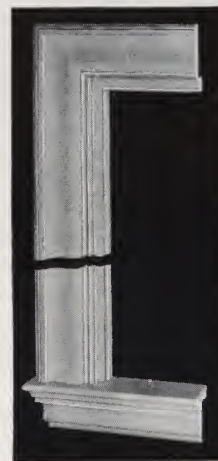
Mitertite Trim is delivered in moisture-resisting, dust-proof cartons.

(Left) Like the frame around a painting, Mitertite trim accentuates the beauty of the Silentite window. This is “York” trim.



York

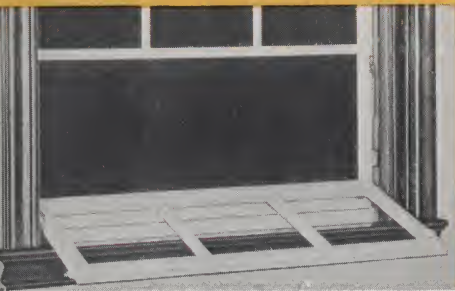
(Above) A popular Mitertite trim design. Finishes $\frac{3}{4}$ "x2 $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Pine, oak, birch. The Curtis dealer has samples of this new trim.



Avon

(Left) This design finishes $\frac{3}{4}$ "x2 $\frac{3}{4}$ "—a half-inch wider than “York.” Made in pine, oak, birch.

The CURTIS HEALTH WINDOW



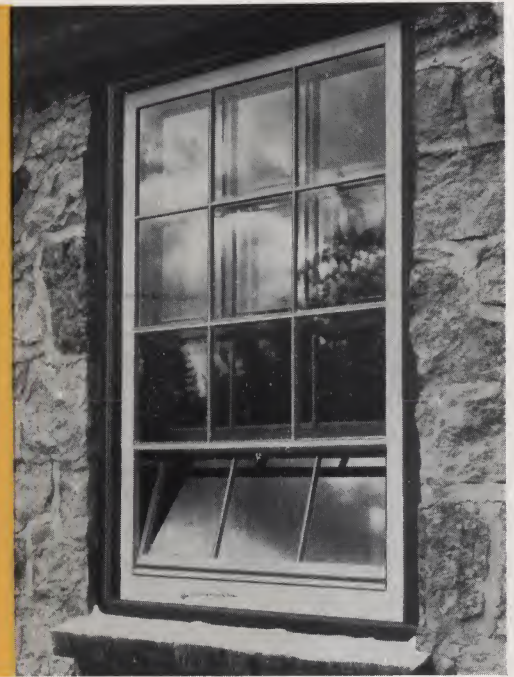
SILENTITE Pre-Fit STORM SASH

The storm sash of "yesterday" sealed up the opening well enough, but never provided adequate ventilation. It was difficult to put in place—and had to be fitted to the opening.

The Curtis Protectorvent Health Window provides controlled ventilation and can easily be put in place from the *inside*. It is Pre-Fitted to the Silentite frame opening which lowers installation cost.

Curtis Pre-Fit screens have the wire nailed in and are flush molded. A stronger screen, easier to handle and store.

Both storm sash and screen are
Part of the Silentite Unit



(*Health.*) (Above, top picture.) "Close-up" of inside of window with Curtis Protectorvent storm sash—ventilator open. You can sit close to window without getting the slightest draft.

(Bottom cut.) When maximum ventilation is desired, the Protectorvent sash may be lowered to the sill. Ventilator operated *without moving sash*.

These Curtis Protectorvent Winter Windows are called "Health Windows" because of the controlled ventilation feature, which helps greatly to reduce winter colds and sickness by eliminating drafts.

(*Fuel Saving.*) Bulletin No. 223 of the Engineering Experiment Station, University of Illinois, contains the following statement: "The combined use of storm sash and storm doors allowed our test rooms to be heated with 58% of the radiators wrapped—a heat saving of 31.8%."

Without winter windows, condensation often forms on window panes as a result of humid air on the inside coming in contact with the cold window glass. With Protectorvent Storm Sash, condensation is practically impossible.

What Silentite Did for These Home Owners—It Can Do for You

In announcing the Silentite Pre-Fit Window Unit *four years ago*, we said:

"Revolutionary in operation and appearance."
"Cuts fuel costs to the bone."
"Eliminates rattling and sticking."
"More weather tight than any other window."
"Assures year-round comfort."

"Lowers building costs."

"Provides more light—more wall space."

Today, hundreds of home owners everywhere say . . . "and that's the truth." Here are extracts from typical letters, of which hundreds are on file.



When casement sash effect is desired, Silentite "fills the bill." In this beautiful Normandy house, Silentite gives all the advantages of metal windows without any of the disadvantages.

Kansas

"After the worst dust storm in Kansas' history, we found little or no dirt or dust in our house. Silentite stands every possible test."

LEO J. BRINKMAN, C.P.A.,
Emporia, Kans.

New York

"Our Silentite windows will, I think, save for us this winter about three tons of coal. There are no drafts, no rattling, no mopping up of seepage when it rains or snows. No other window compares with Silentite."

J. H. DOLAN, Glen Falls, N. Y.

Pennsylvania

"Certainly I've been thankful I used Silentite windows. No rattling, no drafts, no mopping up of seepage when it rains or snows. No other window compares with Silentite."

DR. DALLAS L. DOWNING,
York, Pa.



The "smart" house is generally a Curtis house, with Silentite—the "insulated" window. This house was built for resale by a Pennsylvania builder who has used Silentite in nearly fifty homes.



A compact and efficient assembly of Curtis sectional kitchen units. Along the other long wall are entrance to dining room, the range, and a table. Outside door is opposite the ironing board. Kitchen floor area 12'0" by 8'6".

"... and this is my CURTIS KITCHEN" Say Thousands of Happy Women

For many women, the greatest thrill in building a new home comes from planning the kitchen. They know what they want—from years of working and wishing—and with Curtis cabinets they achieve the kitchen of their dreams.

More attention is being given today than ever before to the planning of kitchens. Of the many decisions you make when building or remodeling, one of the most important is the selection of the kitchen cabinets.

There should be no compromise on quality; there is a vast difference between Curtis kitchen units and those of unknown origin and questionable merit, yet the difference in cost is little, if any.

Curtis sectional cabinets are permanent furniture of the highest quality. One of their greatest advantages is the wide range of sizes in which the units are available. Proper units exist to accommodate range, sink and refrigerator, and still, as illustrated above, each is but a step from the other.

The following pages provide practical ideas on planning and equipping your kitchen.

Here is the new, easy Curtis way to plan your kitchen. Your dealer has a miniature demonstration set like this which he will be glad to have you use without obligation.





To insure a truly modern and beautiful kitchen with Curtis cabinets, this housewife selected a Curtis counter top, with polished stainless steel banding, and sanitary sink installation. Counter top material is not affected by moisture and is not likely to warp.

YOUR KITCHEN—As You Like It

A distinct advantage in using Curtis cabinets is the freedom of planning permitted. Whether the family consists of ten or two—whatever refrigerator is used—whether the range be gas, electric, coal, or wood—with Curtis cabinets you can have just the kind and amount of well organized cupboard space you require—arranged after your own ideas.

For an efficient kitchen, complete and careful planning is essential. Select your sink, stove and refrigerator before your Curtis cabinets. Then you can build under, around, and over other kitchen equipment, utilizing space to best advantage.

This broom closet occupies 20" x 24½" floor space; still behind its closed door there is 19" x 24" of usable space, 62" high.



Behind the stamped metal "cane" doors of the sink front unit, we find much worth while storage space for "larger" things. These units are furnished in six widths.



Curtis sectional kitchen units have been tested and approved by Good Housekeeping Institute conducted by Good Housekeeping Magazine. Curtis-equipped kitchens are now used by noted home economic authorities in the Institute and in test kitchens of other national magazines.

Roomy, clean storage, as much as wanted or as little as needed for wall units, 36" high, are available in eleven widths.





In this 10' x 10' 6" kitchen, the sink is on the 10' wall and still it is but six feet between sink or stove and refrigerator. Opposite the rear entrance door there is ample room for a window, refrigerator, and table, and opposite the sink, the dining room door and space for a desk.

A JOY TO HEART AND FEET

In the truly satisfactory kitchen, you will find: *Convenience, Beauty, and Sanitation.*

Your Curtis-equipped kitchen can be as convenient as you wish it—for you design it yourself. It will be beautiful because the units are well-proportioned and made like fine furniture. For sanitation, all Curtis cupboards have backs, ends, bottoms, to shut out ants and dirt.

It will be a mistake to buy "cheap" ready-made kitchen cabinets; or to have your cupboards made on the job by men who are not experienced cabinet makers. Most fine cabinetwork is factory-made.

From the door of a broom closet comes this ironing board, strong, wide and adjustable to four working heights. Ready for use in a few seconds.

(Below) In all pan units, a substantial wire shelf, operating in metal-lined guides, moves forward easily, so that most used utensils are instantly available.

Follow Your Own Decorative Ideas

Curtis Sectional Cabinet Units are furnished unfinished. You may decorate your kitchen to conform with your existing scheme of decoration, or in any combination of colors desired. Cabinets painted after installation will not be soiled in unpacking, marred by hammer marks, or such injuries as may result in assembly or transit.

(Left) At one side of this tiled sink and adjacent to the stove, this convenient bread drawer unit is very handy. The two top drawers of metal with rounded corners are equipped with ventilated tops.



THERE IS A CURTIS UNIT FOR EVERY KITCHEN USE



Beautiful Hardware

Curtis special hardware for kitchen units is of solid brass, chromium plated, dull finish—in all exterior parts. Inside, and where additional strength is required, chromium plated steel is used.

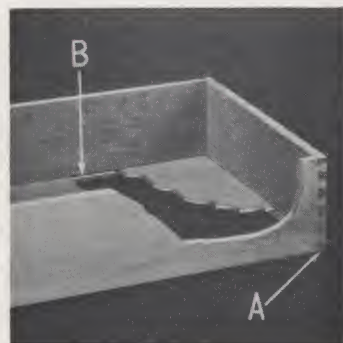
Each Curtis kitchen unit has been designed to accomplish a certain purpose either as a single, self-contained unit or in combination with other units.

In standardizing the sizes of stoves, refrigerators, sinks, counter tops and other kitchen equipment, a general tendency has developed toward straight-line design. A standard height of all working surfaces has been set.

To meet these conditions Curtis has provided units below the counter shelf $24\frac{1}{2}$ " deep, with counter top 25" wide to protect flush, lipped doors and lipped drawers, which extend $\frac{3}{8}$ " from the face of cases.

Units above the counter are 14" deep although certain units $24\frac{1}{2}$ " deep are sometimes employed.

An 87" height is recommended to the top of wall units, which puts shelves within easy reach. This height is made up of 3" toe-space, 32" cases beneath counter, 1" counter top, 15" work space above counter, and 36" wall units. This 87" total height works out in combination with units extending from base to top, such as broom closet with over unit. With such units the 87" height is made up of 3" toe-space, 64" broom closet unit, 20" over unit.



Dust Proof Drawers

Ordinary drawers, rabbeted and nailed together, go to pieces quickly. Those in Curtis sectional kitchen units are completely dovetailed—all four corners. (A) Back, front and sides are plowed near their lower side. (B) The three-ply panel bottom is inserted in that plow and "locked in" by the dove-tailed corners. Drawers like this are not obtainable in ordinary cabinets.

Curtis Counter Top and Sink

Curtis counter top material is made of $\frac{1}{4}$ " Presdwood applied on $\frac{3}{4}$ " 4-ply laminated panel stock. Presdwood is not affected by moisture and will not warp. Back splashes available in heights up to 16 inches. Polished stainless steel banding mold applied to exposed edges of counter top and back splashes.

Your Curtis dealer will provide full information on Curtis built-in sink units, with Curtis counter top.

Build Your Own "Dream Kitchen"

Illustrated here are the 13 basic Curtis sectional kitchen units. With these you may design any style, any size kitchen you wish—following entirely your own ideas. Fully 1,000 different combinations of units are possible. These are all stock cabinets, available quickly through any dealer in Curtis Woodwork.

The widths of all units are multiples of 4". In many instances, 2" variations are provided. In combinations, any desired width may be obtained—any wall space may be filled.

1. Over Unit. Used over wall units and over sinks, stoves, refrigerators, 14" deep—16" high. Eleven widths—12" to 44".

2. Broom Closet Over Unit. $24\frac{1}{2}$ " deep—20" high. Five widths—18" to 36".

3. Center Unit. May be used alone, or with utility unit beneath. 14" deep—32" high. Widths—36" and 44".

4. Wall Unit. Three adjustable shelves. 14" deep—36" high. Eleven widths—12" to 44".

5. Pan Unit. Has sliding wire shelf. May be had with metal flour bin. $24\frac{1}{2}$ " deep—32" high. Ten widths—16" to 44".

6. Drawer Unit. $24\frac{1}{2}$ " deep—32" high. Five widths—20" to 32".

7. Grille Sink Front. 22-gauge stamped metal grilles. Five widths—24" to 36".

8. Bread Drawer Unit. Three interchangeable drawers—two of non-rusting metal, one of wood. $24\frac{1}{2}$ " deep—32" high. Two widths—16" and 18".

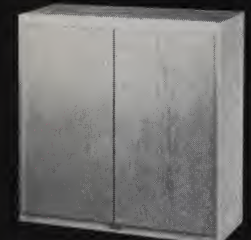
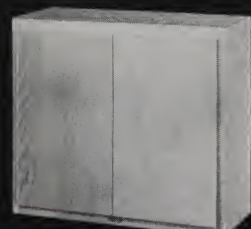
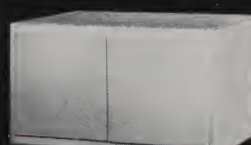
9. Corner Unit. Goes 'round a corner without losing space. Made for above and below counter top. Three adjustable shelves.

10. Over Corner Unit. Goes over corner unit No. 9 when cabinets go to ceiling.

11. Linen Storage Unit. When placed above drawer units of same width, linen cases are produced. $24\frac{1}{2}$ " deep, 48" high. Two widths—24" and 28".

12. Broom Closet. $24\frac{1}{2}$ " deep—64" high. Two widths—18" and 20". May be had with ironing board in door, if desired.

13. Utility Unit. Easily attached to center unit. Provides flour and sugar bins, utensil drawer, spice shelf.





True Colonial architecture in all of its beauty and dignity. Curtis has named this entrance "Concord." The door is Curtis design C-1028. If your home is to be Colonial or Early American, this doorway will add a very distinguishing touch.

CURTIS WOODWORK

Builds Lasting Beauty Into Homes

There is no other way, so easily and so inexpensively, to give your home the beauty, the comfort and the individuality you want it to have, as through the use of Curtis Woodwork. Woodwork really *makes* the home.

Consider, briefly, a few sound reasons for insisting upon Curtis Woodwork for your home:

1. The designs are new and modern—and are available in a wide choice of patterns in commonly used sizes and woods.
2. Curtis construction methods are as near perfection as men and machines can produce—for Curtis has made fine woodwork for 70 years. It is nationally recognized for quality.
3. Materials are the finest obtainable—lumber, glass, putty, etc.
4. Each piece of Curtis Woodwork is carefully inspected and trademarked with the Curtis name.

5. Special wood treatment is given to Silentite frames and windows which insures long life.
6. The Curtis line is complete. No need to shop around. You buy every bit of woodwork from your Curtis dealer.
7. Curtis Woodwork will be delivered when wanted; no delay; no wasted labor cost.
8. Your local Curtis dealer has too much at stake to recommend an inferior product. He endorses Curtis Woodwork and guarantees it against manufacturing defects.

Even though you build a very small home, there is no need to sacrifice beauty and comfort. For Curtis Woodwork is as adaptable to the cottage as to the mansion. Value considered, it is very reasonably priced.

The Curtis-equipped home "stands out" in any neighborhood. And it "stands up" through the years.



For the English, Spanish or Normandy House

(Above) In some Spanish and early English type houses, the door which appears to be of planks nailed together, provides just the necessary charm and appropriateness.

This Curtis door—design C-1081—produces the effect of the old hand-made door in all essential points. Modern construction methods are used, of course, as in all Curtis reproductions of early American and European designs.

(Below) Curtis Entrance C-1780. Door C-1085. Circle top doors are very popular now. You may see other designs in the Curtis Catalog.



DOORS and DOORWAYS for Distinctive Homes

JUST as a person's individuality is accentuated by correct attire, so, too, is the character of a house expressed in its entrance, exterior and interior doors and other woodwork details. Whatever the size or architectural style of your house, the entrance merits careful consideration.

There are three important points to consider about the main entrance and doors for your home. They should be:

Beautiful · Durable · Suitable for the Home.

Beauty involves good design and correct proportions, evidencing the skill of the designer. Durability means good materials and honest construction. Suitability involves good taste in detail and decoration—in keeping with the size and type of your home.

Curtis entrances and exterior and interior doors are distinctive and beautiful. The designs pictured here offer ample evidence. You may see the wide variety of modern doors and doorways in the Curtis Catalog.



A Distinctive Design

(Left) The beauty of this entrance design is created by a proper proportion in lines and shape that would only be marred by further attempts at ornamentation.

A distinguishing feature is the pointed arch above its network of small wood panels. While typified as an English entrance, it is especially appropriate for the house of either Tudor or Spanish type.

This is Curtis Entrance "Falmouth"—C-1785. The door is C-1070.



Good Design Is the Difference Between a Beautiful Home and Just Another House

All Curtis entrances and exterior doors were designed to insure beauty and architectural correctness for the home. Careful construction and inspection before the Curtis trademark is applied insures woodwork of long life and satisfactory operation.

With a Curtis entrance and Curtis doors, your home will be modern and stylish—very much in keeping with today's trend.

Curtis Entrance "Standish"

Dignity with simplicity—the two most desirable qualities in an entrance—are exemplified here. The door is Curtis design C-1024. The entrance is "Standish." Other Curtis Colonial doors may be used with this entrance, if preferred.



(Above) One of the most popular interior doors made by Curtis—Design C-3020. Made in pine, with raised panels.
(Right) Curtis door C-3050. An excellent choice for the Italian, Tudor, and English house, particularly in connection with paneled walls or wainscoting. Made in pine and oak.

STAIRWAYS of Character

The architectural style of the home is often indicated in the design of its stair.

In the past, many builders have felt that beauty in stair work was a matter of size. Modern taste demands smaller, more delicately molded forms, which made the stairs of Colonial days so delightful. Here are a few excellent examples of good design in stair material.

The same extreme care in the selection and conditioning of materials is exercised in the making of Curtis stair parts as in every other piece of Curtis Woodwork.

Complete stairways, in different architectural styles, may be assembled economically from the wide range of standard Curtis stair parts.



(Left) Any stairway is only as good as its individual parts. Here Curtis standard stair material make a stairway of striking beauty—very authentic in detail. This is of English character.



INTERIOR DOORS by CURTIS

Drapes, rugs, pictures, furniture—you may change or replace these at will, or as fashion dictates, but your interior doors remain for years on end an integral part of your home.

That's why wise home builders don't try to skimp in buying doors—or any other woodwork. It doesn't pay.

All Curtis doors are beautifully designed, in various styles, to meet every taste. They are built like the finest furniture, to provide long years of hard usage. They are priced to meet today's demand for economy—without sacrificing the quality for which Curtis has been nationally known for seventy years.

(Left) French doors are decorative as well as useful and add character to an interior by "dressing up" an otherwise plain opening. C-3200 pictured here.

(Below) Colonial stairway, made from Curtis standard stair material. Your Curtis dealer will help you select the stairway most suitable for your home.



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OF OWNERSHIP
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THE CAREFUL
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Curtis Mantel C-6052, called the Rochambeau Mantel. This design, taken from an old mantel in the Vernon House, built in 1758, in Newport, R. I., possesses true Colonial simplicity and beauty of line. Made in pine.



(Above) Curtis Mantel C-6053. The finely fluted columns, every groove distinct, and the perfectly balanced caps and bases, evidence the careful workmanship with which this piece of woodwork is built. The ornament is reminiscent of the beautiful hand carving so popular in the early American days, before the era of mass production by machinery. Made in pine.



(Left) Curtis Mantel C-6069. Old English design, with Tudor head wood opening indicative of the architectural style under Henry VII. An inexpensive mantel for the home of today. Made in oak.

Of course, you'll have a fireplace in your home. No living room is quite complete without one. Many home owners include a fireplace in the main bedroom, too, or in the dining room.

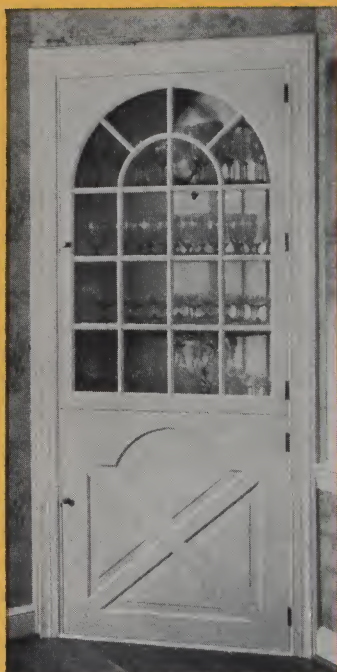
A fireplace is really an economy since it may be effectively used to take the chill from the house in early fall and late spring, when the heating plant is not required continuously.

Much of the unpleasantness of chilly nights and rainy days may be dissipated by the always cheerful grate fire. When not in use for heating, the fireplace, with open flue, is an excellent aid to proper ventilation and even in hot summer weather, it helps to keep the home cool by promoting circulation of the air.

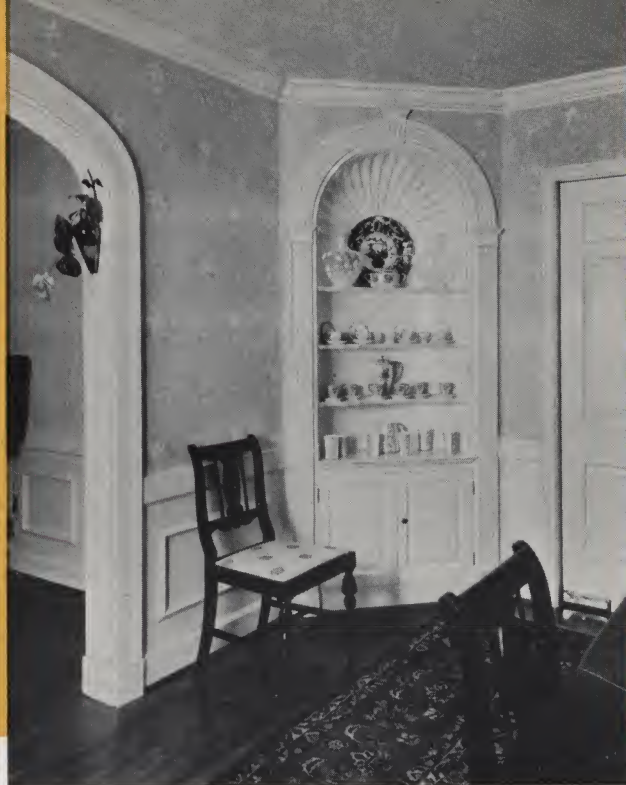
Curtis makes several beautiful mantels—for homes of all sizes and types. Three of these are pictured here. Other designs may be seen in your Curtis dealer's catalog.

The construction of all Curtis mantels is planned to withstand extreme temperature changes. Tongued-and-grooved, splined and mortised-and-tenoned joints are used and the shelves are screwed—not nailed—to the upright members. Curtis quality is built-in, as in all Curtis Woodwork.

There are Curtis mantels in various woods to suit all architectural styles.



Design C-6503. Made in pine, oak, and birch. Overall size, including trim, 3' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide; 7' 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ " high; 1' 4" deep. The original of this case is in the American Museum of Art, in New York City.



Design C-6515—the popular shell back type. May be used in corner or in wall. Made in pine only. Overall size—3' 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " wide, 7' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " high, 1' 3" deep.



Design C-6500. A beautiful Colonial period piece. Overall size is 3' 9" wide; 8' 1" high; 1' 6" deep. Often used without glazed door as both china case and for book shelves. Made in pine only.

FOR YOUR DINING ROOM—A CURTIS CORNER CHINA CLOSET—*In Just the Style You Like*

These designs of Curtis Corner China Cases have come from the boards of some of America's outstanding architects. Hence, you may choose one with a definite feeling of security as to design correctness.

The several types offer a wide selection at reasonable cost. Dimensions vary to meet the requirements of rooms of different sizes. Delivered unfinished, so you can follow your own decorative ideas.

Real craftsmanship is apparent in all Curtis cabinetwork. Careful selection of woods, exacting machining standards, and experienced workmen contribute to structural perfection. Drawers are dovetailed at corners; panel bottoms held in grooves on four sides. Drawers are dust-proof and operate easily on center guides, which eliminate sticking.

Below and above counter shelves are adjustable shelves, providing opportunity to organize storage space to individual requirements. Solid panel backs keep enclosed cases free from dust. Be sure to include one or two of these beautiful corner cases in your dining room. They are used in the most modern homes—frequently in pairs.

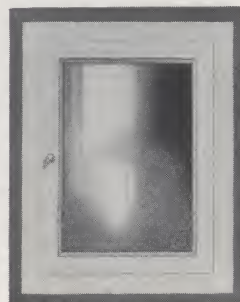


(Left) Design C-6511. Overall size, including trim, 3' 1" wide, 7' 1" high, 1' 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ " deep. May be had without glazed doors. Pine.



(Left) Design C-6506. Ideal for small home. Overall size, 3' 0" wide; 7' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " high; 1' 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " deep. Inside depth, 12". Pine and oak.

Curtis medicine cabinet C-6917. Three adjustable wooden shelves inside. Mirror 16" x 20".



Design C-6931—Venetian Cabinet. Mirror 16" x 24". Inside dimensions 1' 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ " wide, 1' 5 $\frac{1}{8}$ " high, 4 $\frac{3}{8}$ " deep.





Would YOU Like to Do This to Your Home?

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Many families who do not care to invest in a new home, or dislike to part with the old one, are remodeling. Almost like magic, the old house is given new life and takes its place proudly with the finest homes of the neighborhood.

Have you thought of remodeling your home? Maybe you have, but keep putting it off from year to year. Modernize now and enjoy the comforts of a modern home.

The home pictured here, "before" and after," is an excellent example of modernizing. It won first prize in a Better Homes and Gardens contest conducted by a newspaper. The original house was nearly 100 years old and valued at little or nothing. Cost of modernizing was a little over \$2,000.00. Today, the property is worth over twice that much.

Modernizing pays big dividends. If your home is in good condition structurally, it may be modernized, with new Curtis Woodwork, for a few hundred dollars. You'll be surprised at the big improvement, inside and out, with new woodwork.

Curtis Woodwork played a major part in making this old home new. A Curtis doorway and new windows transformed the exterior. Inside, a fine stairway, up-to-date interior doors, new trim, a mantel, and a modern kitchen added all the comfort and pleasure of today's modern home.

Many of the details shown in this booklet will be suggestive to the family considering remodeling. There are appropriate designs of Curtis Woodwork for every style and size home, and your local Curtis dealer will give you all desired information. *See him first.* His advice will be valuable, and, as in many cases, he may save you both time and money.



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